

REMARKS

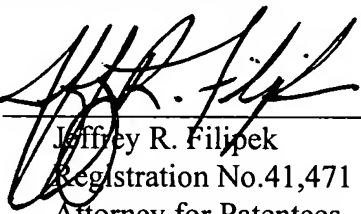
By this preliminary amendment, claims 1-12 have been canceled and claims 13-18 added. Thus, claims 13-18 are active. Support for the new claim recitations can be found at least at: Fig. 174; and column 59, line 49 to column 60, line 23 of the present application. If the Examiner requires further supporting passages, she is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

The present Preliminary Amendment seeks to amend the specification by replacing the specification and abstract with the enclosed substitute specification and abstract. Since this is a reissue application, the substitute specification includes bracketing and underlining to show the changes relative to the patent specification.

Proposed drawing amendments are filed herewith under a separate cover letter, indicating the proposed changes in red as required. It is requested that the Examiner approve the proposed drawing amendments. Also, new formal drawings, labeled "(Amended)" are filed herewith under a separate cover letter incorporating therein the changes made in the proposed drawing amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

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